(b) when was it actually declared plague-affected?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao:—(a) There was no avoidable delay in declaring Kunnamkulam plague-infected.

(b) On 8th February 1935.

Anti-plague Inoculation—Vadakkancheri and Trichur—arrangements for.

346. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan:—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether representations were not made to them to have anti-plague inoculation arrangements made at Vadakkancheri and Trichur during the continuance of plague in Kunnamkulam;

(b) whether the Government has done anything on that behalf as yet;

(c) if they have not, will they be pleased to do it at once?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao:—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes. Arrangements have been made to examine the passengers and goods coming from the plague-infected area and also to watch and report rat-falls and fever cases, if any, in surrounding localities. Arrangements for inoculation have also been made in Trichur.

(c) Does not arise in view of the answer to (b).

Leading article Karshaka Thozhilali—enquiry into.

347. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim:—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there are any points requiring their enquiry in the Leading Article of Karshaka Thozhilali of 12th Kanni 1110 and what those points are;

(b) the results of the enquiry, mentioned in (a)?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon:—(a) and (b) The allegations have been found to be unfounded.

Libraries to which annual grants are given.

348. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar:—Will the Government be pleased to give a list of libraries to which they give annual grant with the amount so given every year to each?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Iyer:—A statement giving the particulars is appended. (*Vide Appendix IV*).

English language—raising the standard of.

349. Mr. K. T. Mathew:—Will the Government be pleased

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to print and place on the table the Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction dated 8th October 1934, P. No. 146/10 and state:-

(a) what steps have been taken to improve the boys' knowledge of the English language and reach a higher standard;

(b) when did the authorities come to know that the boys did not know enough English to understand the subjects if taught in English;

(c) whether copies of the reports submitted by the Headmaster of the institution regarding this matter be printed and placed on the table with the dates of such reports;

(d) what action was taken by the authorities with reference to each such report?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—Copy is appended. (*Vide Appendix V.*)

(a) The following steps are taken to improve the standard of English in the Secondary forms.

(1) More time is devoted to English.

(2) More oral work is being done.

(3) The direct method of teaching is being adopted.

(b) It has been known for the past few years. The exact date cannot be fixed.

(c) Copies of the 2 endorsements dated 27th Chingam 1110 and 11th Kanni 1110 on C. No. 26/10 of the Headmaster are appended. (*Vide Appendix VI.*) No report has been submitted by the Headmaster.

(d) Vide the Proceedings appended in answer to the first part of the question.

Transfers—Education Department.

350. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warrier:—Will the Government be pleased to give a list of transfers made by the Director of Public Instruction in the present school year showing the reasons for each transfer?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—A list is appended. (*Vide Appendix VII.*)

Public Health Department.

351. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warrier:—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(i) the amount spent by the Public Health Department for establishment, pay and construction of buildings in the last year;

(ii) the amount spent for welfare work during the same period?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar:—

(i) Rs. 25,588—0—0

Establishment pay	Rs. 22,006—8—0
Buildings	3,581—8—0

(ii) Rs. 6,128-2-6 for welfare work in honour of Viceregal visit.

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